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Board works to address water hauling

SAN BERNARDINO- The Board of Supervisors has directed the County Administrative Office (CAO) to develop, within 30 days, an estimated cost and time to study the use of hauled water in unincorporated areas of the County.

Hauled water is the physical transport of drinking water, by a vehicle having a permanent mounted or detachable tank, from a water source to a residential or commercial establishment for the purpose of consumption.

The County of San Bernardino requires that new construction in County unincorporated areas be served by an existing public or private water purveyor, if available, or by water well.

The use of hauled water as the primary source of potable water has been prohibited since 2007.

However, residents have argued that drilling a water well is an ineffective and a very costly expense.

The prohibition affects a number of properties in outlying desert communities where no water purveyor is available.

In response to the concerns expressed by residents, Chairman Ramos has directed the CAO to research costs and time to conduct a study of this issue.

"The study will give us a better idea of the cost and effectiveness of drilling water wells," stated Chairman Ramos. "Once we have a better understating of the issue, we can work on finding a solution for our residents."

More information regarding this item can be found at <http://cob-sire.sbcounty.gov/sirepub/>.

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